THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Rural water supply programme in Kuchh region

432. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of issues of Kachh Region of Gujarat State in respect of rural Water supply programme pending approval with the Union Government as on date;

(b) what is the present status of issues and the measures|action taken there on by Government; and

(c) the amount to be allocated to the State of Gujarat for rural water supply programme for Kachh region in the current financial year and total percentage of its annual outlay to be used for the provision for the maintenance and repairs of water supply scheme in the rural and desert area of this region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) Under Mini-Mission Programme, only one project titled "Padampur Water Supply Scheme in Kachh District" at a total cost of Rs. 82.73 lakh was pending with the Ministry of Rural Development. The project has since been cleared. No other project|issue in respect of Kachh Region is pending.

(c) Rural Water Supply is a state subject. In order to supplement the efforts of the State Government for providing drinking water, funds under Accelerated Rural Water Supply are allocated/released State-wise. District|area-wise allocation are, however, not made by the Central Government.

Criteria adopted by CAPART for providing loans|grants

433. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria adopted by CAPART for providing loans and grants to vountary organisations in the rural areas; and

(b) the details of the grants/assistance given to voluntary organisations during 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) CAPART provides financial assistance to voluntary organisations registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1800 or under the corresponding State Act, as a trust registered under the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 or the Charitable and Religious Trusts Act, 1920. While considering the proposals, following aspects are examined:

(i) The voluntary organisation should have acquired a minimum of three years' Rural Development experience after registration.

(ii) The voluntary organisation as far as possible, should have a broad-based Managing Committee,